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In re Application of: Fulvio (nmi) Arecco, et al.
Serial No.: 09/608,657
Filing Date: June 30, 2000
Group Art Unit: 2633
Examiner: David S. Kim
Title: AUTOPROTECTED OPTICAL COMMUNICATION RING NETWORK

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed April 28, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the claims in view of the following amendments and comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.